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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 645
By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to honor Benjamin Patrick Persons, 2000
Valedictorian of Oakland High School.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly should honor those individuals who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic careers; and

WHEREAS, Benjamin Persons is one such outstanding student who has distinguished himself as valedictorian of the 2000 class at Oakland High School; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Benjamin has achieved extraordinary academic success, and has joined the ranks of the elite students of Tennessee and our nation; and

WHEREAS, Benjamin has been recognized as the Most Intellectual student of his class; and

WHEREAS, demonstrative of his intellectual prowess and inner drive, Benjamin attained a perfect grade point average of 4.0, maintaining his status on the honor roll for four years; and

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WHEREAS, this remarkable young man is the pride and joy of parents Donna Lynne and Francis Patrick Persons; and

WHEREAS, he also demonstrated his athletic ability on the tennis court; and

WHEREAS, Benjamin Persons' display of intellectual prowess and inner drive surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Benjamin's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2000 Oakland High School Valedictorian, Benjamin Patrick Persons, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy and successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.